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## ARREST ENGINEER AND FIREMAN IN GARY TRAIN WRECK

### Death List Reaches Sixty When More Bodies Are Found.

## CIRCUS PEOPLE ARE CAUGHT IN MICHIGAN CENTRAL SMASH

### Wrecked Cars Become Seething Mass of Flames, Burning Many.

## TRAIN STALLED ON SIDING

### Renowned Clown, Joe Coyle, Sees Death Strike Wife and Two Babies at His Side.

GARY, IND., June 22.—The death list in the collision today between an equipment train and a Wallace-Hagenback Circus train was increased tonight to sixty, when eight additional bodies were taken from the ruins and the death of one of the circus troupe at the hospital. The injured number 12.

Emil Klaus, the fireman, and Alonzo K. Sargent, the engineer of the troop train, were arrested tonight. The officials declined to make any statement. It was learned tonight that Sargent was taken from a Michigan Central train bound for his home in Jackson, Mich. He is charged with manslaughter. He signified a willingness to return to Gary Monday to give his testimony.

We were running along at a good rate of speed when Hammond and Gary, and I did not see the circus train on the siding until we were nearly on top of it," said Klaus. "I saw that a collision could not be avoided, and I grew dizzy and sick in my stomach at the thought of what was certain to happen. I did not notice the engineer, and I do not know what he did. I crawled down from my seat in the locomotive cab and dragged myself onto the tender, where I fell face downward on a pile of coal. That is the last thing I remember. I must have been unconscious when the collision came, as I do not remember feeling it. My mind was a blank for a long time. The next thing I remember I was on a train bound for my home in Michigan City."

## These Seven Americans Held Prisoners by Huns

(By Associated Press.)  
WASHINGTON, June 22.—Names of seven Americans in German prison camps reported to the War Department today by the German War Ministry through the German embassy at Berlin, include that of Professor Henry C. Emery, the economist and former chairman of the United States Tariff Commission, who was captured when the Germans occupied the island of Euboea.

When last heard from, Professor Emery was at Liberty, Pommern, in a hotel at Laueburg, Pommern. The State Department, within the past two days, sent an inquiry as to whether he would be permitted to leave Germany.

Other names were:

At Villingen—Lieutenant John S. Abbott, St. Paul, Minn., captured March 21 at Laueburg; Lieutenants Robert H. Jeffery, Uniontown, Pa., and Abram Straus, New York City, captured March 21 at Laueburg.

At Brandenburg—David Johnson, Marcus Hook, Philadelphia, first officer of the ship Atlantic Sun, captured in Irish Sea by Private Is.

At Darmstadt—Private Sidney Kinch, Oxford, England, captured at Verdun March 4.

At Bayreuth—Private Hector E. Hoffman, Minot, N. D., captured on March 1.

Professor Emery is held at the prison camp Tuschell.

## OPPOSE GUARANTEE OF BANK DEPOSITS

### Virginia Bankers' Association Sends Protest to State's Delegation in Congress.

## CONVENTION ADJOURNS

Resolutions Call for Educational System of Greater Value in Practical Life.

[By Staff Correspondent.]  
OLD POINT COMFORT, Va., June 22.—Voicing the strongest determination to make every effort a stroke for the winning of the war, members of the Virginia Bankers' Association, at the closing session of their twenty-fifth annual convention at the Chamberlin Hotel, this morning staged the most notable and inspiring meeting in the history of the association, and pledged themselves to consecrate their lives and their work to one accomplishment—the winning of a place "in the sun unendangered by ruthless Prussianism." Never before has this famous resort on the government reservation, which to-day is the scene of the greatest war activity, housed such a demonstration of patriotism, of love and of devotion to one's country.

Throughout the three-day session the entire effort of the convention was directed towards some work which would increase the fighting efficiency of the United States. Conditions as they exist in Flanders and Picardy and along the Marne and the Plave had been pictured to the bankers; the reverses suffered by the allies through insufficient men and equipment; the stripping of England, France and Italy to a war basis, these and other vital factors were described. Then came a clear statement of what was expected of America in the great war. How she must work under a war basis, with no other thought, no other action but a determination to make every stroke count, every effort a blow at the heart of the system that is threatening to tear asunder the fabric of civilization and is endangering the existence of humanity.

## NEARLY ONE MILLION TROOPS OVER THERE

### General March Says United States Is Five Months Ahead of Schedule.

## 200,000 IN LAST FORTNIGHT

Vital Factor Is Speed at Which Soldiers Are Sent to France.

[By Associated Press.]  
WASHINGTON, June 22.—Definite word from Rome on the repulse of the Austrian drive in Italy, coupled with the announcement by General March that American troop movements to France had now exceeded 500,000, added to-day to the growing cheerfulness that has been apparent at the War Department recently.

General March told the newspaper men in his weekly conference that with the 500,000 mark passed, the United States is five months in advance of its schedule for troop movements. At the same time he briefly outlined the battle positions in France and Italy and drew a conclusion that the enemy was being held firmly on all fronts, though further great blows are to be expected.

The chief of staff's statement furnished the first authoritative information as to progress made in the tremendous exertion the government has been making to meet the challenge of the German drive in the west. When the first blow was struck on the Cambronne front, March 21, troop shipments were behind schedule. Today they are five months ahead.

The speed with which the army is being moved to the front is sharply indicated by the fact that approximately 200,000 men have been embarked during the last two weeks. The total movement during May was not more than 240,000. It was only two weeks ago that Secretary Baker announced that more than 700,000 had been shipped; a week later, at the first of his conferences with the newspaper men, General March said the 500,000 mark had been passed and to-day he placed the figure at more than 500,000.

General March made it clear that time gained in getting abroad enough American troops to give General Foch, supreme commander, a mastering superiority over the enemy, is the vital factor. Every day that the Germans in pressing their effort to achieve military victory before American aid can arrive in overwhelming force is regarded as a day nearer ultimate defeat for them.

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## MOUNTAIN SECTOR WILL BE THEATER OF NEXT BATTLES

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REPORTS TELL OF CLASHES BETWEEN MOBS AND TROOPS

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ACTIVITY AT OTHER POINTS

Bulgarian Commission Reaches Vienna to Discuss Changes in Relations With Germany.

## THREE POUNDS OF SUGAR PER MONTH PER CAPITA

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## TO PREVENT A SCARCITY

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Lack of shipping facilities, submarine activities and a decrease in importations from Cuba are held responsible for the new restrictions.

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## STEAMER OMSK'S CREW ARE TO BE DISCHARGED

### Men Apprehended Off Norfolk Following Fight Will Be Permitted to Reship.

## TELLS POLICE HE KILLED WIFE

### Claims He Murdered Her in Train Bathroom and Then Threw Body Out of Window.

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NORFOLK, VA., June 22.—That the fifty-two Russian seamen, formerly members of the Russian steamer Omsk's crew, who have been held in custody here since March 13th be released and be permitted to reship for foreign ports, is the ruling of the United States Department of Labor handed down to-day.

This is the closing chapter in the sensational history of the Omsk crew in this port. The finding of the Department of Labor provides that not more than five of the Russian seamen shall be permitted to reship on any one vessel. The decision is practically identical with that made by former United States Immigration Inspector W. R. Morton, in charge at Norfolk on March 13, with the exception that Inspector Morton ordered several of the seamen held over, whereas the department has ordered that all be permitted to reship. The matter was before the department in deportation proceedings. The costs of the case, owing to the fact that the men were in confinement for 100 days, is said to be unusually large for a Federal court criminal case, the jail fees alone totaling over \$3,000.

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## ADMIT SPENDING \$50,000

### National Woman's Party Announces It Cost That to Get Ten Votes in Senate.

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WASHINGTON, June 22.—Fifty thousand dollars is what the National Woman's party announced to-day has been the cost of campaigning to gain ten additional votes in the Senate for the Federal woman suffrage amendment. In the past five years, the announcement said, the woman's party alone has spent \$469,915 fighting for the amendment, which has passed the House and is to be voted on in the Senate next Thursday.

Some Favor Elimination of Wine.

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In a hospital, Joe Coyle, a clown, went bitterly as he lay on a stretcher and told how his wife and two babies had joined him only recently after months of absence and how all three had been crushed to death at his very side.

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